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1. SINCE RECEIVING REFTELS A, B, AND D, IT HAS BEEN
DETERMINED BY BOTH STATE AND DEFENSE THAT AN MOU IS UN-
NECESSARY AND THAT THE BASIC AGREEMENT, FORWARDED BY REFTEL
C, PROVIDES AN ADEQUATE UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TWO
GOVERNMENTS RE: SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND US PERSONNEL WHO
WILL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM IN KUWAIT. FINANCIAL ARRANGE-
MENTS WILL BE COVERED BY FORM 1513 LETTER OF OFFER AND
ACCEPTANCE. REF E SHOULD THUS BE DISREGARDED.

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2. REF D INDICATED THAT CASES UDG AND AAA ARE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE GOK AND WILL NOT BE SIGNED. WE RECOGNIZE THAT YOUR CURRENT MANNING TO ADMINISTER THE MILITARY PROGRAMS IS GROSSLY INADEQUATE FOR EVEN THE CURRENT WORKLOAD WITHOUT CONSIDERING THE INCREASED RESPONSIBILITIES OF FUTURE PROGRAMS. WE CANNOT UNDERSTAND THE GOK RELUCTANCE TO RECOGNIZE THESE BASIC FACTS. IF WE ARE TO EFFECTIVELY

SUPPORT THE GOK EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THEIR MILITARY FORCES, THEY IN TURN MUST FORMALLY RECOGNIZE THE NEED FOR AN EXPANDED PCS MILITARY MISSION. ACCORDINGLY, WE DO NOT PLAN TO PROVIDE TDY AUGMENTATION UNTIL AFTER GOK ACCEPTANCE OF NINE-MAN USLOK ORGANIZATION. (FYI: WE ARE CONCERNED THAT IF WE NOW ACQUIESCE TO GOK REQUESTS FOR TDY SUPPORT, A PRECEDENT WILL BE ESTABLISHED WHICH WILL: (A) PRECLUDE GOK ACCEPTANCE OF NINE-MAN USLOK; AND (B) ALLOW THE GOK TO DICTATE HOW USG WILL MANAGE KUWAITI MILITARY PROGRAMS. END FYI). ONCE THE GOK HAS ACCEPTED THE PRINCIPLE OF A PCS ORGANIZATION, WE WILL NOT OBJECT TO SHORT-TERM TDY AUGMENTATION TO CLEAR YOUR BACK-LOG OF WORK AND ACT ON A STOP-GAP UNTIL THE PCS PERSONNEL ARE IN PLACE. THIS ISSUE WILL BE FURTHER DISCUSSED WITH GOK DURING THE DOD VISIT IN JANUARY 1976.
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